#### **Lowell Public Schools**

# Digital Learning Plan: Focusing on the Needs

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## Agenda

- History of LPS Technology Planning
- Overview of New Plan Development
- Timeline
- Focus Areas
- Next Steps





# History of Technology Planning

2012 - Center for Educational Leadership (CELT) developed a LPS Technology Blueprint

2012-2015 - LPS Long Range Technology Plan (CELT)

- Visioning & Implementation
- Technology Integration and Literacy
- Technology Professional Development
- Accessibility of Technology
- Virtual Learning
- Safety & Security

2015 - Staff survey was conducted

2015-2018 LPS Long Range Technology Plan developed (CELT)

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#### Current Status of Technology Planning

- Review of existing CELT plans
- Review of current LPS infrastructure, hardware and software
- Creation of Digital Learning Plan Taskforce
- Development of timeline
- Development of sub-committees
- Sub-committee research and findings
- Plan development and completion





# Digital Learning Plan Taskforce Members

Michael Lovato - Special Education Director

KC Nelson - IT Manager

Jason McCrevan - Washington Principal

Carolyn Rocheleau - Coordinator of Special Programs

Elaine Santelmann - Coordinator of Science and Social Studies

Matthew Stahl - Wang Principal

Michael Hoppe - IT Helpdesk Coordinator

Kara Wilkins - District Technology Integration Specialist

Katie Mahoney - Middle School Teacher (Wang)

Karien Driscoll - Elementary Teacher (Washington)

Malinda Pires - LHS Technology Integration Specialist

Michael Fiato - High School Principal

Robin Desmond - Chief Academic Officer

Ashley Pennell - Assistant Special Education Director







#### Digital Learning Plan Timeline

- Oigital Learning Taskforce convened on January 21, 2021
- January 21st Feb. 2nd individual sub-committees meet in focus areas
- Feb 3rd sub-committees present findings and recommendations
- Feb. 10th task force develop vision
- Budget projections presentation to CFO Feb. 26th
- Plan completion March 24th

| Priority                              | Budget & Inventory   | Curriculum & Digital<br>Learning   | Professional Development & Expectations  | Accountability   |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Digital Learning<br>Planning Overview | <ul> <li>Staff Device Replacement Plan</li> <li>Student Device Distribution Plan</li> <li>Current Inventory</li> <li>Learning Labs</li> <li>5-year Budget Projection</li> <li>Sustainability of 1:1 Ratios</li> <li>Infrastructure</li> <li>Professional Development<br/>Educational Software</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Phased 5-year Plan</li> <li>Learning Models</li> <li>Professional Development</li> <li>Needs Assessment</li> <li>Educational Software</li> <li>Classroom Hardware</li> <li>Assistive Technology</li> <li>High quality EL/SWD support supports through assistive technology</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Needs Assessment</li> <li>Staff - Hardware &amp; Software</li> <li>Student - Hardware &amp; Software</li> <li>Families - Hardware &amp; Software</li> <li>Lesson Planning Supports</li> <li>Classroom Needs</li> <li>Professional Development Platforms</li> <li>Professional Development on Differentiation</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Device Insurance Plans</li> <li>Device Replacement Plan</li> <li>Acceptable Use Policy Review</li> <li>Network and Software Securities</li> <li>Staff and Student Expectations</li> </ul> |







## Next Steps

- Sub-committees researching best practices in focus areas
- Taskforce will develop vision
- Sub-committees report findings to Taskforce
- Budgetary needs presented to CFO
- Plan finalized